

MEDICAID CODING GUIDELINE

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PSYCHIATRY BILLING & CODE CHANGES

Changes are being made in billing specific psychiatric codes. ND Medicaid previously required providers to bill the following CPT® codes in 15 minute increments. **To be HIPAA compliant and to align ND Medicaid with Medicare and other major payers we will follow the CPT® code definitions for the codes listed below.** Effective for date of service January 1, 2006 and after these codes will no longer allow time (i.e. 15 minutes = 1unit) to be reported. These codes must be reported in units of one (1) per date of service.

90846	Family psychotherapy (without the patient present)
90847	Family psychotherapy (conjoint psychotherapy) (with patient present)
90849	Multiple-family group psychotherapy
90853	Group psychotherapy (other than of a multiple-family group)
90857	Interactive group psychotherapy
90887	Interpretation or explanation of results of psychiatric, other medical examinations and procedures, or other accumulated data to family or other responsible persons, or advising them how to assist patient
90901	Biofeedback training by any modality
90911	Biofeedback training, perineal muscles, anorectal or urethral sphincter, including EMG and/or manometry

NOTE: ND Medicaid already follows CPT® code definitions for all other psychiatric codes (codes/services allowed by ND Medicaid).

NEW 2006 CPT® codes for psychological testing, neurobehavioral status exam and neuropsychological testing are identified below. Those codes identified as “per hour” should be billed in units reflecting the total time in hours (i.e. 1 hour = 1 unit). Codes 96103 and 96120 are not time-based codes and must be reported as one (1) unit per date of service.

96101	Psychological testing (... , eg, MMPI, Rorschach, WAIS), per hour of the <u>psychologist’s or physician’s time</u> , both face-to-face time with the patient and time interpreting test results and preparing the report
96102	Psychological testing (... , eg, MMPI and WAIS) with qualified health care professional interpretation and report, administered by technician, per hour of <u>technician time</u> , face-to-face
96103	Psychological testing (... , eg MMPI) <u>administered by a computer</u> , with qualified health care professional interpretation and report (1 unit per date of service)

- 96116 Neurobehavioral status exam (clinical assessment ...), **per hour** of the psychologist's or physician's time, both face-to-face time with the patient and time interpreting test results and preparing the report
- 96118 Neuropsychological testing (eg, Halstead-Reitan Neuropsychological Battery, Wechsler Memory Scales and Wisconsin Card Sorting Test), **per hour** of the psychologist's or physician's time, both face-to-face time with the patient and time interpreting test results and preparing the report
- 96119 Neuropsychological testing (eg, Halstead-Reitan Neuropsychological Battery, Wechsler Memory Scales and Wisconsin Card Sorting Test), with qualified health care professional interpretation and report, administered by technician, **per hour** of technician time, face-to-face
- 96120 Neuropsychological testing (eg, Wisconsin Card Sorting Test), administered by a computer, with qualified health care professional interpretation and report (1 **unit** per date of service)

► **REMINDER: All ND Medicaid Psychiatry limits are still in effect.**

LICSW, refer to your updated list of ND Medicaid allowed services.